

Access to Dental Care

Q.HC19, NHANES I, 1971–75

Do you have a dentist you usually go to?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.HC22, NHANES I, 1971–75

For this last visit, how long was it from the time you decided you needed or wanted to see a dentist until you actually saw him?

- 1 Less than one day
- 2 1–6 days
- 3 1 week but less than 2 weeks
- 4 2–3 weeks
- 5 1–2 months
- 6 3 months or more
- 9 Don't remember

Q.HC23a, b, c, NHANES I, 1971–75

a. At the time of this last visit or talk with a dentist did you have an appointment?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

b. How long was it from the time you made the appointment until you saw him?

- 1 Less than one day
- 2 1–6 days
- 3 1 week but less than 2 weeks
- 4 2–3 weeks
- 5 1–2 months
- 6 3 months or more
- 9 Don't remember

c. Was this wait longer than you would have liked it?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Don't remember

Q.HC24, NHANES I, 1971–75

How did you get to the dentist office?

- 1 Walked
- 2 Bus or subway
- 3 Car
- 4 Cab
- 5 Other means — Specify _____

Q.HC25, NHANES I, 1971-75

How long did it take to get there?

- 1 Less than 15 minutes
- 2 15-29 minutes
- 3 30-59 minutes
- 4 1 hour or more
- 9 Don't remember

Q.HC26a, b, NHANES I, 1971-75

a. At this last visit with a dentist, about how many minutes did you have to wait before being seen by the dentist?

_____ minutes

b. Do you think this wait was too long?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.HC27, NHANES I, 1971-75

How well satisfied were you with this visit?

- 1 Satisfied
- 2 Not completely satisfied
- 3 Dissatisfied
- 4 No opinion

Q.HC28, NHANES I, 1971-75

Does your dentist or dental clinic call you or send you a note to remind you when your next regular checkup is due?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK

Q.HC29a, b, NHANES I, 1971-75

a. During the past 12 months, have you had a dental problem which you would have liked to see a dentist about but you didn't see the dentist?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

b. Why didn't you see him?

- 1 Didn't have time
- 2 Would cost too much
- 3 Couldn't get an appointment
- 4 Would have to travel too far
- 5 Didn't have a way to get there
- 6 Didn't have anyone to care for children or other family members
- 7 Some other reason

Q.OHQ.060, NHANES IV, 1999-2004

Is there a particular dentist or dental clinic that {you/SP} usually {go/goes} to if {you/he/she} need{s} dental care or dental advice?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 7 Refused
- 9 DK

Q.OHQ.070, NHANES IV, 1999-2004

For how long has this been {your/SP's} regular source of dental care?

____ Number (of days, weeks, months or years)

777 Refused

999 Don't Know

Enter Unit _____

- 1 Days
- 2 Weeks
- 3 Months
- 4 Years
- 7 Refused
- 9 DK

Q.C2g, SIPP Wave 3, 1992

In the past 12 months, has there been a time when your household had someone who needed to see a dentist but didn't go?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK

Q.N2d, NHIS, 1983

How long did it take for ____ to get to this dentist this time? _____ minutes

Q.P3, NHIS, 1989

What are the reasons ____ has [not visited the dentist in over 12 months/never gone to the dentist]?

- 1 Afraid
- 2 Nervous
- 3 Needles
- 4 Cost
- 5 DK dentist
- 6 Dentist too far
- 7 Can't get there
- 8 No problems
- 9 No teeth
- 10 Not important
- 11 Didn't think of it
- 88 Other (specify) _____
- 99 DK

Q.AC17a, b, c, NHIS, 1993; 1994; 1995; 1996

a. During the past 12 months, was there any time when someone in the family needed dental care but could not get it?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 DK

b. Who is this?

c. Anyone else?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.AAU.111; CAU.135, NHIS, 1997; 1999; 2000; 2001; 2002

During the PAST 12 MONTHS, was there any time when {you, S.C. name} needed any of the following [Dental care (including checkups)] but didn't get it because you couldn't afford it?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 7 Refused
- 9 DK

Q.AAU.135.020, NHIS, 1999

What are the reasons that you have never gone to the dentist?

[Else read:] What are the reasons that you have not visited a dentist in over 12 months?

Reason no dental visit...

- 1 Afraid
- 2 Nervous
- 3 Needles
- 4 Cost/no insurance
- 5 DK dentist
- 6 Dentist too far
- 7 Can't get there
- 8 No problems
- 9 No teeth
- 10 Not important
- 11 Didn't think of it
- 12 Other
- 97 Refused
- 99 DK

Q.AAU.135.021, NHIS, 1999

Specify other reason for no dental visits. This should be a reason that is not on the no dental reason list.

No dental reason _____

Q.CAU.160.020, NHIS, 1999

What are the reasons {S.C. name} has never gone to the dentist? – OR – What are the reasons that {S.C. name} has not visited a dentist in over 12 months?

- 1 Age/too young
- 2 Afraid
- 3 Nervous
- 4 Needles
- 5 Cost/no insurance
- 6 DK dentist
- 7 Dentist too far
- 8 Can't get there
- 9 No problems
- 10 No teeth
- 11 Not important
- 12 Didn't think of it
- 13 Other
- 97 Refused
- 99 DK

Q.AMC.R4.11, NMCES, 1977

Is there a particular dental office or dental clinic that (person) goes to for dental care?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 94 DK

Q.AMC.R4.12, NMCES, 1977

About how long does it usually take (person) to get there?

- ___ Minutes
- ___ Hours
- 94 DK

Q.AMC.R4.13, NMCES, 1977

Does (person) think (minutes/hours from Q. 12) is too long, or not too long to travel for dental care?

- 1 Too long
- 2 Not too long
- 3 DK

Q.DV.R5.13, NMCES, 1977

About how long did the visit take – from the time (person) arrived at the dentist's office until the time (person) left – about how many minutes or hours?

- _____ Minutes
- _____ Hours

Q.RV.R5.4, NMCES, 1977

About how long did the visits usually take – from the time (person) arrived at the dentist's office until the time (person) left – about how many minutes or hours?

_____ Minutes

_____ Hours

Q.W39, NMES, 1987

Is there a particular dental office or dental clinic that (person) usually goes to for dental care?

1 Yes

2 No

Q.W42, NMES, 1987

About how long does it usually take for (person) to get there?

_____ Minutes

_____ Hours

Q.2, BRFSS, Module 9, 1995; Module 8, 1996; Module 5, 1997; Module 6, 1998; Module 6, 2000; Module 6, 2001

What is the main reason you have not visited the dentist in the last year?

1 Fear, apprehension, nervousness, pain, dislike going

2 Cost

3 Do not have/know a dentist

4 Cannot get to the office/clinic (too far away, no transportation, no appointments available)

5 No reason to go (no problems, no teeth)

6 Other priorities

7 Have not thought of it

8 Other

77 DK

99 Refused

Q.4, BSS, 1999; 2003

During the past 12 months, was there a time when {you/your child} needed dental care but could not get it at that time?

1 Yes

2 No

3 DK/don't remember

Q.5, BSS, 1999; 2003

The last time {you/your child} could not get the dental care (you/he/she) needed, what was the main reason (you/he/she) couldn't get care?

1 Could not afford it

2 No insurance

3 Dentist did not accept Medicaid/insurance

4 Not serious enough

5 Wait too long in clinic/office

- 6 Difficulty in getting appointment
- 7 Don't like/trust/believe in dentists
- 8 No dentist available
- 9 Didn't know where to go
- 10 No way to get there
- 11 Hours not convenient
- 12 Speak a different language
- 13 Health of another family member
- 14 Other reason
- 15 DK/don't remember

Q.AAU.130, SLAITS, 1997

How about dental care, including check-ups? (read to probe) During the past 12 months, was there any time when {you/either of you/anyone in your family} needed dental care, including check-ups, but didn't get it because {you/they} couldn't afford it?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 6 DK
- 7 Refused

a. Who couldn't afford it? Anyone else?

Q.C4Q05_X03, SLAITS, 2000-02

(During the past 12 months) was there any time when ("s" child) needed) dental care including check-ups?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 6 DK
- 7 Ref

Q.C4Q0503a, b, SLAITS, 2000-02

a. Did ("s" child) receive all the dental care that {he/she} needed?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 6 DK
- 7 Ref

b. Why did ("s" child) not get the dental care {he/she} needed?

- 1 Cost too much
- 2 Health plan problem
- 3 Not available in area/transport problems
- 4 Not convenient times
- 5 Doctor did not know how to treat or provide care
- 6 Other _____
- 96 DK
- 97 Ref

Q.45m, NSAHC, 1986

Why haven't you/[hasn't { :B}] seen a dentist?

- 1 Lacked money
- 2 Doctor didn't recommend
- 3 Don't think it's necessary
- 4 Other (Specify)
- d Skip to q 45p

Q.45n, NSAHC, 1986

Did you/ [{ :B}] know of a dentist or clinic here you/ (he/she) could have obtained these services for free or for an amount you/(he/she) could have afforded?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Q.45o, NSAHC, 1986

Why didn't you /(he/she) go there?

Q.DU5a, MCBS, 1996

What is the most important reason (you/SP) did not see a dental provider associated with [read plan names below] or a dental provider that [read plan names below] would refer (you/SP) to?

- 1 HMO does not cover the service SP wanted
- 2 SP could not get services quickly enough at the HMO
- 3 HMO not conveniently located for the SP
- 4 HMO providers not competent/qualified to handle SP's condition/needs
- 5 SP didn't want to go through primary care physician to get referral
- 6 SP wanted to go to a provider not available through the HMO
- 7 SP wanted to use a provider they had prior to their enrollment in the HMO
- 8 HMO refused to provide the care the SP thought was necessary
- 9 This service was covered by other insurance SP has
- 10 HMO administrative obstacles for SP
- 11 Not in HMO at time of event
- 91 Other (Specify)_____
- 7 Ref
- 8 DK

Q.DU5a, MCBS, 1997; 1998; 1999; 2000; 2001

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- 12 SP had a medical emergency and went or was taken to the closest provider
- 13 SP was outside of the service area when urgent care was needed
- 91 Other (Specify)_____
- 7 Ref
- 8 DK